

CONFERENCE OF PREMIERS MAY KEEP NORSEMEN OUT OF VORTEX

Position of Scandinavian Countries Since Beginning of War Has Been Delicate; Co-operation Now Secured.

DESIRE FOR CONTINUED NEUTRALITY UNIVERSAL

Despite Minor Differences in Interests, Majority Ready to Make Honorable Concessions for Peace.

(Associated Press Correspondence.)
Copenhagen, Denmark, April 30.—Although no official statement has been made as to the detailed deliberations of the conference of Scandinavian premiers and foreign ministers recently held here, the meeting itself seems to have wrought a noticeable feeling of relief in the three neutral nations of the north and there is no doubt just now a little more confidence that these countries will be able to fight their way through the difficulties of the war without being drawn into the hostilities.

The position of the Scandinavian countries—Denmark, Norway and Sweden—has been more or less delicate one ever since the war began. With each day that the fighting continues the problems of commerce and diplomacy multiply. But despite pressure of every sort, first from one belligerent and then another, the northern states have managed to maintain a neutrality of which they are proud and which they believe the non-combatant world fully appreciates.

For more than a year each of the three countries has been dealing individually with the problems of war. There had been no thorough exchange

of views since the gathering of the Scandinavian kings at Malmo in December, 1914, when the neutrality of the north formally was proclaimed. There was perhaps just a little feeling of uneasiness, attributable to a lack of counsel, when King Gustave of Sweden suggested the conference held here a few weeks ago.

The tangible result of this three days' sitting of the higher cabinet officers of Scandinavia was a new declaration to the world of a continued neutrality, "loyal and impartial," on the part of the three peoples, agreed in a "concert of opinion." This conference, with its free discussion of politics and interests, and its renewed expression of northern agreement, was deemed especially desirable at this time in view of the coming activities of spring and summer. Officials of the three governments feel that difficult and complex as has been the situation in the past, they have at last dealt with the real crises of the war.

Peril to Neutrals.
It is realized here that before peace possibly can bring an end to hostilities, the situation on one side or the other must be far more desperate than it is today. In the extremities of this inevitable, desperate situation, the Scandinavian people are asking if acts far more ruthless than any heretofore attempted will not be committed against neutrals in a wild attempt to stop the impending crash of defeat.

Every so often there spreads over Scandinavia the report that Germany intends eventually to "seize" Denmark. Of course these reports are not beyond word of mouth—travellers returning from Germany assure their friends they heard the news from reliable sources—and consequently they do not call for official or other denials. The plausible excuse given for such contemplated action by Germany is a desire to control absolutely the deep water entrance to the Baltic and to gain possession of the precious Danish butter, eggs and bacon so much needed in Germany and shipped now in such great quantities to Great Britain.

Anglo-Swedish Reciprocity.
On the other hand there comes just as often, from Sweden or Norway, the report that England, with a prolonged stress of war, would eventually shut off all supplies from the Scandinavian countries as the one sure method of stopping "leakage" to Germany and Austria. England has trade agreements with Norway and Denmark, however, which seem to be working in a satisfactory manner. An effort was made some time ago to negotiate such an agreement with Sweden, but the Swedish government thought the proposition from Great Britain "too one-sided." Sweden felt that she had particular claims for consideration from England inasmuch as Sweden contained the great highway to Russia in war time. England and Sweden now deal with each other in an informal and not official recognized "leave and take" basis. If England allows a certain amount of imports in Sweden, Sweden allows the passage of an equal amount of goods from England to Russia.

The wholly unimaginationed rumors as to the sinister intentions of the opposing belligerents are set aside of course as worthless. They would be completely dismissed if it were not for the ever increasing fear that there may be two or three years more of fighting. The complications that these years would bring about the effect of the long drawn out struggle upon the belligerents and the constant encroachments upon neutral rights are looked forward to with anything but equanimity. This idea was expressed here during the conference by Gunnar Knudsen, the Norwegian prime minister.

Neutral Outlook Darkens.
"It would be useless for us to blind ourselves to the fact that the outlook for the neutral states grows darker with every day that passes. We, in Scandinavia, have to continue to play the part of outsiders. We cannot overlook the fact, however, that the British blockade is becoming more and more of a hindrance to neutral shipping. On the other hand we have to face the fact that public opinion in England is demanding a stronger naval policy in the North sea and the government there is finding it very difficult not to take this position into consideration."

The neutral states must first and foremost devote themselves to carrying out an equal and just neutrality which cannot be doubted by any of the belligerents. In doing this the government must have the fullest co-operation of the commercial interests with the greatest possible honesty. It is not sufficient that our commercial organizations should merely impose fines for violation of obligations. We must kill all illegal trade and we must sentence the offenders to penal servitude.

All Desire Neutrality.
The people of Scandinavia make no effort to hide the fact that the interests of their respective countries may differ decidedly in detail, but the great majority in all countries are anxious that the most faithful neutrality shall continue to be the policy of all. In this respect the Copenhagen conference was hailed as an evidence to the world that Scandinavia stood together for rigid neutrality but

NEWS NOTES from BY DAISY DEAN

MOVIELAND

Photoplayers must have nerve, but it remained for Claire Anderson, Keystone comedienne, to perform one of the most dangerous feats ever undertaken by a screen player, when she worked alone with an eight-year-old lion one day recently. While the keepers forced the king of beasts to the rear of the cage four cameras were trained on the scene from various angles. Then the door was opened and Miss Anderson entered the cage and laid down in the far end. The hot iron which had held the lion back were withdrawn. The great beast bounded a few feet, then stood in the center of the stage. Miss Anderson tried to look pleasant, as the lion began to walk slowly and proudly toward her. He reached her side and stood over her; then he raised his paw and placed it on her face. She reached her free arm up and placed it almost lovingly about his neck. That was all the director wanted. The door was closed and Miss Anderson was almost pulled out before the beast had a chance to realize he had been forced to the rear of the cage and was alone.



Claire Anderson acting with a lion.

WANTED NONE OF THE GENTLE WILD IN HIS
While directing, William Robert Daly of the Selig company becomes so imbued with the spirit of the emotions he desires his actors to portray he is entirely oblivious of his surroundings. In one of Selig's productions two of the players were supposed to make "good eyes" at a young leopard while fondly stroking it. They were a little bit squeamish about doing it, but to show the players that the animal was perfectly tame Director Daly took it in his arms and began to pet it. Just then he was called away and, thinking that "Bill," the animal trainer, was behind him, he said, without a backward glance: "Here, Bill, take the cat." But the arms in which he put the leopard were not those of Bill, but belonged to a big negro. He gave one look and then ran, upsetting on his way a dinner table laid for twelve. He jumped through a window, carrying part of the glass away with him, and when he got his second wind he gasped, "None of dem dear gentle wild animals in mine."

The William Fox studios at Edendale, Calif., were deluged with tele-

expected consideration for the rights of neutral states in regard to the Balthians.

In connection with the conference the general feeling here was that Swedish sentiment favored a more aggressive attitude by the northern states toward the belligerents. This tendency in Sweden already had been shown, it was said, by her strong protests to Great Britain against the action of that government in holding up and confiscating much of the parcels post coming between Sweden and the United States. This was followed by Sweden's act of retaliation in stopping all parcels post between England and Russia.

Blockade Tolerable.
Norway and Denmark, on the other hand, feel that had as the situation is with respect to shipping it might still be worse. It is argued here that while England's policy of declaring a so-called "paper" blockade may be irrevocable the attitude of being thereon are not so great as it would be if an attempt were made to establish an actual blockade and couple with it a still further extension of the list of contraband. The belief here seems to be that more can be gained for the neutral states by being policy of a belligerent attitude. It is not believed by the Danish or Norwegian governments that England will go so far in her dealings with neutral shipping as to create a condition with respect to Scandinavian rights that might be classed with the German treatment of Belgium.

In considering the attitudes of the Scandinavian countries it must be borne in mind that in Norway and Denmark public sentiment greatly favors the allies while in Sweden the majority sentiment appears to be pro-German. There are close ties of kinship between the reigning families of the two former countries and the royal family in England. Then, too, there is the feeling here against Germany which has existed ever since the ceding of Schleswig-Holstein.

Sweden Fears Russia.
Sweden on the other hand has long stood in fear of Russian aggression. This feeling was at its height in 1914 when the Russian war against Germany was plunged into the conflict with Germany. There had been distinct efforts in Sweden to establish close relations with Germany as a possible friend in the event of trouble between Sweden and Russia. The first of work of course is the present Swedish sympathy for Germany. There is a growing sentiment that this attitude should not, however, prevent the fullest co-operation between England and Russia consistent with Swedish rights. The Swedes are a proud people, but one of the influential newspapers in Stockholm, admittedly free from outside influence, has urged there would be nothing incompatible with honor in making another effort to negotiate a trade agreement with the allies, thus solving many industrial and commercial difficulties. It was suggested the negotiations might be brought about through a third party, but so far as known nothing has been done in that direction.

Norse Alliance Urged.
Various Scandinavian statesmen have urged from time to time, there should be the closest possible alliance between the countries of Denmark, Sweden and Norway. Such conferences as the one held here have been referred to in the press as tending gradually in that direction, although the time is not now regarded as ripe.

Thus it is that while the three nations still have their somewhat divergent interests, the conference found there were many common grounds upon which they could unite. There are many phases of the war which affect all alike and in these matters of broader policy the northern neutrals will be found standing side by side.

Prepares Answer to Sweden.
Stockholm, Sweden, May 16.—The government is preparing with extreme care its reply to the interpretation in parliament recently respecting the fortification by Russia of the Aland islands, which lie off the east coast of Sweden between the Gulf of Bothnia and the Baltic sea. The statement from the government probably will be made next week. Particular care is being exercised on account of the feeling which has been aroused against Russia by the fortification of the island and owing to propaganda for Swedish participation in the war.

This is one of the best scenes in a forthcoming Keystone comedy. Little Miss Anderson did not consider the scene very funny while she was acting it.

grams, telephone messages and letters when the report became general that William Farman, William Borress and William had been drowned where they were making a new picture. A schooner and three men were lost in a storm, but none of the players were injured.

The grand annual run of the Pacific salmon from the sea to shallow headwaters of Alaska rivers will be photographed as a feature of the Latin production of "The Silver Herd," Rex Beach's novel.

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(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE)
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A squadron of British aeroplanes flew over Porto Lagos, on the Bulgarian coast, the dispatch states, and after dropping several bombs returned without having suffered any damage.

ABOLISHES OFFICE OF U. S. COMMISSIONER

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL.)
Santa Fe, May 16.—Federal Judge William H. Pope has abolished the office of United States commissioner at Blackfoot, Chaves county. He authorized Royal H. Whitaker, who has the office of United States commissioner at Abled, to open another office at Pivon, Otero county.

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